

Senate Bill No. 1105

Passed the Senate August 29, 2005

Secretary of the Senate

Passed the Assembly August 18, 2005

Chief Clerk of the Assembly

This bill was received by the Governor this _____ day
of _____, 2005, at _____ o'clock ____M.

Private Secretary of the Governor

CHAPTER _____

An act to add Section 10111.7 to the Insurance Code, relating to life insurance.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SB 1105, Speier. Life insurance: travel.

Existing law generally regulates life insurance.

This bill would prohibit an insurer from taking specified actions relating to issuing, renewing, or rating a life insurance policy based solely upon the applicant's or insured's past or future lawful travel destinations. The bill would allow an insurer to exclude or limit coverage, or refuse to issue a policy, based upon lawful travel, or charge a different rate, when that action is based upon sound actuarial principles or is related to actual and reasonably expected experience.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. Section 10111.7 is added to the Insurance Code, to read:

10111.7. (a) An insurer shall not deny or refuse to accept an application for life insurance, or refuse to insure, refuse to renew, cancel, restrict, or otherwise terminate a policy of life insurance, or charge a different rate for the same life insurance coverage, based solely upon the applicant's or insured's past or future lawful travel destinations.

(b) Nothing in this section shall prohibit an insurer from excluding or limiting coverage under a life insurance policy, or refusing to offer life insurance, based upon lawful travel, or from charging a different rate for that coverage, when that action is based upon sound actuarial principles or is related to actual and reasonably expected experience.

Approved _____, 2005

Governor